

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Date January 12, 2009

In re the Application of

Ryoji WATANABE et al.

Application No.: 10/647,208

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For: IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS AND IMAGE FORMING METHOD



Group Art Unit: 2625

Examiner: M. GETANEH

Docket No.: 116938

**LARGE ENTITY PETITION FOR 1st - 3rd EXTENSION
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